

Answer: Let us go back to the text.

Song of Songs 2:9

“My beloved is like a gazelle or a young stag. Look! There he stands behind our wall, gazing through the windows, peering through the lattice.”

The word lattice refers to a large window in an upper story. These were different from the small, ordinary windows in ground level houses.

An example of such a window is the one from which King Ahaziah fell and was injured:

2 Kings 1:2

“Now Ahaziah had fallen through the lattice of his upper room in Samaria and injured himself. So he sent messengers, saying to them, ‘Go and consult Baal Zebub, the god of Ekron,

to see if I will recover from this injury.’”

Another example is the window through which Queen Jezebel looked out before being thrown down by the eunuchs:

2 Kings 9:30-33

“Then Jehu went to Jezreel. When Jezebel heard about it, she put on eye makeup, arranged her hair and looked out of a window.

As Jehu entered the gate, she asked, ‘Have you come in peace, you Zimri, you murderer of your master?’

He looked up at the window and called out, ‘Who is on my side? Who?’ Two or three eunuchs looked down at him.

‘Throw her down!’ Jehu said. So they threw her down, and some of her blood spattered the wall and the horses as they trampled her underfoot.”

You may also compare this with the word “shubaka” as used in Proverbs 7:6.

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